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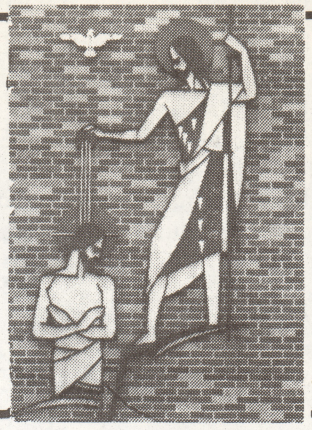

Just a Word...

by Fr. Harvey

FESTIVAL FUN

With the exception of a few bruises on my aging body, the dunking tank stint is all over for another year. I hope a few frustrations were alleviated last Sunday during the Parish Festival. I know for certain that many people were made happy, especially, those whose lucky tickets were drawn for the raffle. Earl Strine won the grand prize - a color TV. Other winners are listed in the festival report as provided by the Parish Activities Commission Facilitator and chairperson elsewhere in this paper.

A festival is a whole lot of work, especially, in the heat. Earl Herbert, general chairman for the festival is to be commended along with all sub-committee chairpersons for fine organization and follow-through. The weather cooperated. New parishioners as well as veterans were in attendance. To all of you who worked so hard preparing for the summer festival and all who made it happen last Saturday and Sunday, sincerest thanks!!!

All parishioners had an opportunity to support this annual effort. Many did, not only by selling a few tickets but also by attending the event if it was possible. Our special appreciation goes to Barney Hughes of Hughes Real Estate and Gene Butman of Gene Butman Ford Sales for underwriting the cost of printing the raffle tickets.

AN ASSOCIATE PASTOR?

Perhaps I should not have been surprised, but I still was a little taken back by the number of parishioners who did not realize that Fr. Burns has ended his ministry at this parish with the approval of Bishop Povish. Summertime is a difficult time for accomplishing any major project or effectively communicating with parishioners because so many are taking well-deserved vacations. As I announced in writing and from the pulpit three weeks ago, Fr. Burns had requested to be relieved of his office as associate pastor. It was his own personal request. He is **not** unhappy with St. John Parish. On the contrary, as he wrote in last week's paper, "I like to think that I have reached a crossroad here, and the direction I take is crucial for me." His decision was finally made after a good deal of discussion with many persons, myself included. Fr. Burns will be enrolled in a CPE course out east this coming fall. We wish him much success.

At this writing, there has been no indication regarding a new associate pastor. As everyone should be aware by now, our Diocese is not over-supplied with ordained priests. Nor is St. John's the only parish that is minus a priest or two. The crunch is here, friends. We do have 5 deacons interning at this time in preparation for ordination. However, no ordination time has yet been set. We will pray and wait. And while we are praying and waiting, how about broaching the subject of religious vocations with your son or daughter - or even thinking about it yourself, if your own vocation is yet unclear.

ANNUAL REPORTS

Every year at this time, each parish must give an accounting of itself to the Bishop. The reports are mainly statistical and financial. St. John's report, signed last week by Mrs. Joan Gillman, former council president and Mr. David Wheeler, Administration Chairman and myself, was submitted to the Bishop on Wednesday.

A summary report is contained on the special insert included in this paper. Please feel free to ask any questions you may have.

In general, the report is fine. Thanks to you, we were able to operate another year 'in the black.' There was an increase both in numbers of parishioners as well as in operational income, an obvious indication that for the most part, the majority of parishioners take seriously their Christian stewardship toward the parish community.

Thankfully, we realized an increase of about $19,000.00 over the previous year's total weekly income via Sunday collections. A good percentage of the increase was gobbled up by that bugbear called inflation. The net increase this year was down from the previous year, but still healthy.

Not only were the majority of parishioners realistic in their support of our own community, but also quite generous in their contributions to local, Diocesan and worldwide Christian charities. That figure is listed under the heading "Diocesan collections" ($19,624.11) and is comparable to last year's figure.

Of special interest to me was the fact that there was a 27% increase in the number of infant Baptisms during this year just ended. Other statistical figures varied only slightly from the previous year which indicates some stability.

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Once again, I thank you for the trust you have placed in our Pastoral Team, Council and Commissions, and pray that we may continue to be faithful stewards of your generosity and committed to your service.

Gratefully,
Fr. Harvey

Food/Donations For Food Cupboard

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
NEXT SUNDAY

Parish Nuptials

Mr. & Mrs. Barry M. Hages

Barry M. Hages and Katherine Ann Olson solemnized their covenant of holy marriage during a Nuptial Mass celebrated by Fr. Harvey on Saturday, July 16, 1977.

Barry is the son of Michael Hages and Mrs. Regina Hages of Bay City. Kathy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Olson of this parish.

Witnessing the vows of their brother and sister, respectively, were Gordon Hages of Bay City and Linda Olson of Ypsilanti.

Karen Chapin was the guitarist and soloist. Mel Light was organist for the Liturgy.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Dillion

On Saturday evening, July 16, 1977, Ronnie Dillion and Andrea L'Amoreaux spoke their sacred vows of marriage before Fr. Harvey in our church. The vows were witnessed by Mr. and Mrs. Mark Doe of Belleville.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Brown Dillon. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L'Amoreaux of this parish.

Miss Marie Stachlewitz was the organist for the wedding celebration. The bride's brother, Robert, served as the lector.

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Congratulations, newlyweds from all at St. John's!

"You shall love the Lord your God ... and your neighbor as yourself."

A Vacation Letter From Sr. Carol ...

(As most parishioners know, Sr. Carol Denise, a familiar face around St. John's for the past nine years, celebrated her Silver Jubilee as a Sister last year. Along with two other Sisters, she has been enjoying some of the sights of Europe as an anniversary present this month. The following letter was received last Wednesday. As the normal Editor of our parish paper, she wanted us to think that she is still working, even on vacation! While she really can't fool us to that extent, her intentions are sincere and the letter welcome.)

Father Harvey

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Dear Father Harvey and Parishioners,

The time is going all too fast as we move about the world, but we are using every minute to see everything possible. There is so much to see and do that our days are filled. We have been to every museum, many churches, the catacombs and to the Trevi Fountain in Rome, bartering at the straw markets and the Ponte Vecchio and to a Bach concert in Florence and on a gondola ride in Venice. We stopped in Innsbruck, Austria for some sightseeing o the way to Munich, Germany.

We have spoken so many languages that it is hard to keep straight where we are. We have written postcards and then found that the post offices were closed for the week. People have been friendly and helpful so we feel at home wherever we go. However, some countries have practices which are hard to accustom ourselves to.

After a few days in Germany, where I was able to explore my roots, we moved on to Switzerland where we have been more able to relax. It is the mid-point of the trip.

One highlight has been taking the cable car to the top of Jacobsborn which is the highest accessible point here.

It has been a wonderful trip and I am grateful to be here because of your good news to me at Jubilee time. When Pope Paul blessed us, I prayed for all of you especially. I will have many wonderful memories of this summer also.

Love,
Sister Carol

Wedding Banns

III

David Stachlewitz and Cheryl Seabert

Carlos Melendez and Sharon Richards

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Martin Angers and Dianna Stolaruk

Mass Schedules for July 30, 31, 1977

5:00 p.m.	7:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.	12:30 p.m.
L - E. Hageman	L - M. Meyer	L - P. Hines	L - K. Macek	L - R. Pinsoneault
C - D. LaRoche	C - R. Wagner	C - P. Stokes	C - D. Zielinski	C - B. Griffin
LD - R. A. Jamnick		LD - J. Mooney	LD - H. R. Peper	LD - J. Buck
AB - J. Pryce	AB - J. Hanrahan	AB - R. Helm	AB - B. Peper	AB - S. Carroll
J. Pryce	J. Hanrahan	M. Cicirelli	E. McGowan	T. McCarthy
J. Pryce	D. Hanrahan	G. Williams	R. Birdsall	L. Koch
USH - E. Schoonover	USH - T. Weber	USH - I. Egbert	USH - B. McCarthy	USH - Skip Diegel
T. Kulback	D. Cannon	L. Husse	J. Kosnik	P. L'Amoreaux
V. Quigley	P. O'Hara	S. Meier	R. Lemkuhl	M. Welch
C. Corkins	D. Nowling	R. Powell	J. Romeli	
B. Hughes	R. Schmuckal	D. Rocha	G. Sinkule	
	J. DeFilippi	S. Adamick	D. Watkins	

SITTERS	9:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Room 5	A. Chandler	J. A. Caudill
	S. Donohoe	S. Reed
		K. Williams
		M. Carroll
Room 6	D. Brooks	D. Schenher
	I. Lewis	F. Schenher

Festival Kudos

The second annual Parish Festival, on Sunday, July 17, just be judged in superlatives; beautiful weather, good food, numerous things to do, a lovely park, good sports (Fr. Harvey was dunked too many times to count), willing workers, many friends, and total exhaustion.

We would like to thank each of you who spent so many hours in preparing for this annual event and who gave their time on festival day to ensure its success. We would especially like to thank our many friends and relatives, outside St. John's community, who came to help us for the day.

And finally, we offer our heartfelt appreciation to those of you who took time out of a beautiful day to join us and, thereby, make it all worthwhile. We hope you enjoyed the park, the games, the food, meeting old friends and, perhaps, making new ones. St. John's is richer in every way because of this experience.

The festival ended with drawings for the raffle prizes. The winners were:

Earl Strine - Color Television
Phil Stokes - $100.00
Cora Horton of Manistique - $50.00
Ann Kelly - $25.00

You will want to know that this day was a financial success as well. As a result of the combined efforts of all, St. John's Church is richer by approximately $3,000.00. You will hear more of this at a later time.

Natalie Bowyer
Rita Sprague
for the Parish Activities Commission

Scripture Readings

Sunday, July 24, 1977
First Reading - Gen. 18:20-32
Second Reading - Col. 2:12-14
Gospel - Luke 11:1-13

Sunday, July 31, 1977
First Reading - Eccl. 1:2, 2:21-23
Second Reading - Col. 3:1-5, 9-11
Gospel - Luke 12:13-21

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Mass Schedules

Monday, July 25 - St. James, Apostle
7:00 a.m. Donna Larabell, req. by Carol Hafeli
2:30 p.m. Agnes Thorp, req. by M/M Roy Cody

Tuesday, July 26 - SS. Joachim and Anne, parents of Mary
7:00 a.m. Paul Conrad, req. by Ardella Purcell
5:15 p.m. No Mass

Wednesday, July 27 - Weekday
7:00 a.m. Distribution of Holy Communion Only
9:00 a.m. No Mass

Thursday, July 28 Wekday
7:00 a.m. Samuel Plant, req. by Eva Kutzner Estate
9:00 a.m. No Mass

Friday, July 29 - St. Martha
7:00 a.m. George Beaudette, req. by Betty Mills

Saturday, July 30 - BVM
9:00 a.m. No Mass
11:00 a.m. Wedding - David Stachlewitz and Sheryl Seabert
1:30 p.m. Wedding - Carlos Melendez and Sharon Richards
5:00 p.m. Eva Kutzner, req. by Estate

Sunday, July 31 - 18th Sunday of Year
7:00 a.m. Parishioners
9:00 a.m. M/M Harold Trench, Golden Wedding Anniv. - req. by James Baker Family
11:00 a.m. Special Intention of Gary and Delynn Dolby on their birthday, req. by His Mother
12:30 p.m. Roy Christian, req. by M/M Clyde Bennett

Financial Barometer

Sunday, July 17, 1977
Sunday Offering $3,743.73
Parish Improvement 5.00
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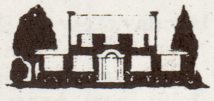

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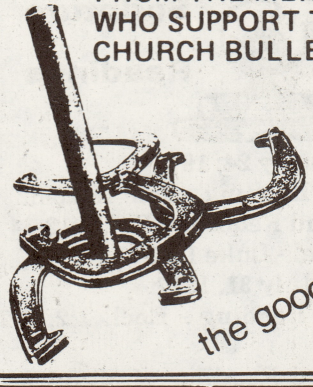

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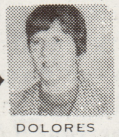

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FINANCIAL REPORT - FOR YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1977
DIOCESE OF LANSING

CHURCH RECEIPTS	
OPERATING INCOME:	
Sunday & Holydays	$185,645.52
Votive Lights & Pamphlets	969.97
Stipends & Stole Fees	2,000.00
Improv. Drive, Bequests and Donations	46,742.15
Bingo, Bazaars, Etc.	18,000.00
Facility Usage	4,636.00
Interest on Loans	7.00
Other Income	1,898.90
Total Operating Income	259,899.54
TRANSFERS:	
Insurance Proceeds & Rebat.	320.60
Diocesan Collections	19,624.11
Proceeds/Sale of H.S.	34,597.00
Total Transfers	$ 54,541.71
TOTAL RECEIPTS	$314,441.25

CHURCH DISBURSEMENTS	
SALARIES:	
Pastor	$ 4,300.00
Associate	4,908.30
Sister's Salary	4,600.00
Extra Assistants	3,355.00
Organist, Choir & Instru.	5,546.00
Clerical	10,394.67
Total Salaries	$ 33,103.97
ADMINISTRATIVE	
Church Supplies	$ 5,302.77
Office Supplies	4,333.40
Services to Parishioners	9,278.90
Services to Organizations	100.00
Food Allowance	4,568.28
Donations	850.00
Membership Fees	260.00
Mileage & Housing Allow.	4,150.60
Other Administrative Exp.	784.40
Total Administrative	$ 29,628.35
OPERATION OF PLANT:	
Engineer & Janitor Salar.	$ 11,394.00
Housekeeper & Cook Salar.	4,482.22
Contracted Janitorial Ser.	2,891.54
Heating Fuel	5,602.57
Utilities Except Heat	6,875.68
Janitor & Operat. Supplies	4,002.65
Total Operation of Plant	$ 35,248.66
MAINTENANCE OF PLANT	
Contract. Repair & Main.	2,330.01
Supplies for Main./Plant	1,518.15
Replacement of Equip.	9,421.74
Other Main./Plant Expenses	26,189.00
Total Maintenance of Plant	$ 39,458.90

CHURCH DISBURSEMENTS (Con't.)	
FIXED CHARGES:	
Employ. Retire. Contri.	$ 4,935.06
FICA-Employer Portion	1,802.07
Insurance	4,976.00
Interest on Loans	35,386.32
Other Fixed Charges	4,984.95
Benefit other than Retire.	3,654.67
Parish Assessments	8,809.00
Total Fixed Charges	$ 64,548.07
CAPITAL OUTLAY	
Basement Renovation	16,424.45
Organ Installation	6,047.51
Boiler Installation	12,000.00
Furniture & Equipment	2,677.65
Total Capital Outlay	$ 37,149.61
TRANSFERS:	
Transfer to Parish C.C.D.	$ 46,769.00
Payment on Parish Debt	8,225.73
Diocesan Collections	19,624.11
Total Transfers	$ 74,618.84
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	$313,756.40

TOTAL RECEIPTS	$314,441.25
Balance 7/1/76	5,090.60
TOTAL OPERATING AMOUNT	319,531.85
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	313,756.40
BALANCE June 30, 1977	$ 5,775.45

ADDITIONAL DATA:

1. Sacramental Celebrations:

Converts	17
Baptisms	83 (2 Adults)
Confirmations	65 (31 Adults)
Holy Communions	60,000
First Communions	66
Marriages	43
Deaths	38

2. Parish Debt:
   As of June 30, 1977, St. John's is indebted to the Diocese of Lansing in the amount of $542,074.85 (6% interest rate). During the past year, $8,225.73 was paid on principal; $35,386.32 was paid on interest.

   (One additional parcel of land on Packard Road remains to be sold at present.)

EDUCATION CENTER OF ST. JOHN
FINANCIAL REPORT - FOR YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1977
DIOCESE OF LANSING

ATTENDANCE:

Elementary Students	329
High School Students	66
Adults	315

RECEIPTS:

Income:	
Student Fees - C.C.D.	$ 6,353.00
Other Revenues - C.C.D.	475.35
Rent on Facilities	845.00
Other Income	9,478.71
Transfers from Parish Fund	46,769.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	$63,921.06

DISBURSEMENTS:

Salaries:	
Coordinator-Eileen Hageman	$ 9,166.72
Teachers Salary-H.S.Ar.Ed.	2,999.41
Secretarial	2,980.00
Other Instruc. Salaries	5,275.04
Professional Services	646.50
Total Salaries	$21,067.67
Instructional:	
Textbooks	$ 2,571.45
Teaching Supplies	434.62
Library Books	17.95
Periodicals & Newspapers	95.50
Audio-Visual Materials	34.00
Office Supplies	268.71
Other Instruc. Supplies	1,642.87
Travel Expenses & Mileage	40.00
Rental of Equipment	425.00
Other Instruc. Expense	936.05
Total Instructional	$ 6,466.15
Transportation:	
Transportation Salaries	$ 4,564.48
Gas, Oil & Grease	1,694.22
Vehicle Repair Parts	3,213.86
Other Trans. Expense	29.00
Total Transportation	$ 9,501.56

DISBURSEMENTS (Con't.)

Plant Operation:	
Janitor Salaries	$ 7,908.82
Heating	4,939.55
Utilities except Heat	6,729.04
Janitor Supplies	567.78
Other Expenses	539.71
Total Plant Operation	$20,684.90
Plant Maintenance:	
Contracted Repairs and Maintenance	$ 480.46
Total Plant Maintenance	$ 480.46
Fixed Charges:	
Employee Retirement Fund	$ 1,404.41
Social Security Expense	1,483.05
Other Fixed Charges	389.96
Employee Benefits	2,268.50
Total Fixed Charges	$ 5,545.92
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	$63,746.66

TOTAL RECEIPTS	$63,921.06
Balance 7/1/76	2,952.41
TOTAL OPERATING AMOUNT	66,873.47
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	63,746.66
BALANCE June 30, 1977	$ 3,126.81